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Sir:

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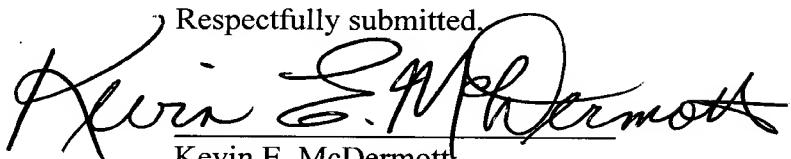
**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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The above-referenced documents are listed on PTO Form 1449 and copies of these documents are enclosed to facilitate reference to them.

Applicants are not aware of any other references at this time. If the Examiner has any questions or comments relating to the present application, he or she is respectfully invited to contact Applicants' attorney at the telephone number set forth below.

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